MINUTES

WEST VIRGINIA ATHLETIC COMMISSION

April 6, 2017

Call to Order – Approval of Minutes

A meeting of the West Virginia Athletic Commission was called to order April 6, 2017 at approximately 11:00 AM.

Commission Members present: Chairman Leon Ramsey. Commission Members joining by telephone: Secretary Paul Thornton and Commissioner Tony Figaretti. Also present were: Connie Brammer, Crystal Crouch, Keith Morgan, and Pam Lopez. No members of the public attended this meeting.

Issues and Action Items

The first item was approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2017 meeting. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Figaretti and passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item was review and approval of the officials/fight card for the Rumble in the Rec in Fairmont, WV scheduled for April 8, 2017. Chairman Ramsey presented the officials for this event. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the officials for this event. Commissioner Figaretti seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote. Chairman Ramsey presented the fight card for this event. Secretary Thornton

moved to approve the title fights Mike Snider vs Austin Marcum and Tyler Cottrill vs. Sam Beverly. Commissioner Figaretti seconded each motion which passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton also moved to approve Brittnay Mullins vs Samantha Pill. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Figaretti and passed by unanimous voice vote. Amateur bout card was presented by Chairman Ramsey. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the amateur fight card for this event. Commissioner Figaretti seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion occurred regarding potential conflict of interest when officials are are also trainers. While no incidents of bias have been observed it is agreed this issue requires further exploration and will be addressed at a future meeting.

The next item was review and approval of the officials/fight card for the Battle of the Ages in Parkersburg, WV scheduled for April 22, 2017. Chairman Ramsey presented a partial fight card for this event. Secretary Thornton moved to approve Andre Baker vs. Brian Camechis. Motion was seconded by Chairman Ramsey and passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve Lawrence Blakey vs. Joe Paintiff. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Figaretti and passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve bouts Josh Kuhn vs. B. J. Robinson and Kolmarge Harris vs. Adam Collins. Chairman Ramsey seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve an exhibition bout between David McNemar and Gary Wolfe. Chairman Ramsey seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion occurred to present boxing in West Virginia as an inclusion in West Virginia tourism publications.

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seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.									
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